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Record Steel Output

London, Dec. 12. Britain's steel output in November reached its highest rate ever, the British Iron and Steel Federation announced tonight.

It was 17,472,000 tons compared with the previous best month last March of 17,147,000 tons.

The previous best November was last year with 16,358,000 tons.—Reuter.

Nationalists Or Reds To Sit On UN?

New York, Dec. 12. The UN General Assembly today created a seven nation Committee to study the China representation question and report back before the end of this session.

The question before the Committee will be:

Should Nationalist China continue to sit in the UN or shall the Chinese seat by given to the Communist regime?

The Assembly voted the following countries to the Committee: Canada, Ecuador, India, Mexico, Philippines and Poland.

Only two of these—India and Poland—have recognised Red China.—Associated Press.

U.S. Cabinet Meeting

Washington, Dec. 12. President Truman was with the Cabinet for nearly an hour today discussing the present emergency. Later he talked with the heads of the Economic Stabilisation Programme and National Security Resources Board. White House officials who declined to be identified, said that wage and price control are inevitable and that every effort will be made to speed the machinery to effect them.—Associated Press.

President Truman To Broadcast

Washington, Dec. 12. President Harry Truman is arranging to address the American people by radio on Friday or Saturday night on the world situation and the home front steps he believes are necessary as result of the threat of war.—Associated Press.

Lake Success, Dec. 12.

The United States and Britain today endorsed a proposal by 13 Asian and Middle East countries for the United Nations to see if there can be a cease fire in Korea. The United States, however, barred any political decisions on the Far East until a cease fire is in full effect.

The proposal was laid before the UN Assembly's Political Committee by India's Sir Benegal Rau. Sir Benegal told the delegates that China apparently is moving toward a Monroe Doctrine for the Far East. He said that Red China's ambassador here, General Wu Hsuan-chuan, had told him that Peking wants peace.

The doctrine laid down by President Monroe in 1823 said the US would regard as an unfriendly act any interference by Europe in the affairs of independent American States.

The Committee adjourned at 6 p.m., GMT, until Wednesday morning so that several delegates could obtain instructions on the cease fire idea. With the backing of the US and Britain and various other countries, however, it appeared the resolution would be approved by the Committee and go speedily to the General Assembly.

If the resolution finally is approved, the Assembly President, Mr. Nasrullah Entezam, would appoint two other persons to help him and then would determine the basis on which a satisfactory cease fire in Korea can be arranged. He would report his recommendations to the General Assembly.

The resolution supported by the United States and Britain is one of two proposals put before the Committee on Monday by Sir Benegal on behalf of the 13 Asian and Middle East countries. The resolution now being considered was put ahead of all other business by a Committee vote of 48 to 5 (Soviet bloc). Four countries, Ecuador, Turkey, Thailand and Nationalist China, abstained.

The second resolution, sponsored only by 12 countries, recommends that the Assembly set up a Committee to meet as soon as possible and make recommendations for the peaceful settlement of existing issues in the Far East.—Associated Press.

Call-Up Doubled

Washington, Dec. 12. The United States Government today doubled its January call for conscripts for the armed services to 80,000 men and at the same time, boosted its February total from 50,000 to 80,000 men.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Industrial Outlook

THE industrial outlook for the next twelve months or so has seldom been harder to decipher. At present the dominating note is one of shortage. In America, restrictions on the use of steel, natural rubber and on luxury building have been imposed; in Britain zinc is already rationed and there have been warnings that other restrictions will be necessary that will affect general living standards; internationally, a scheme for allocating to America a priority of nearly 600,000 bales of wool is to be examined with the three wool-producing Commonwealth countries. At present, moreover, rearmament has scarcely made itself felt. These and other shortages have appeared as the result only of commercial demand, plus world stockpiling. What will happen when rearmament really gets under way? On the other hand, even bearing in mind the rearmament to come, world commodity prices—with some exceptions—are obviously vulnerable. The high prices of some commodities—rubber and tin are examples—are certainly due to the snowball effect of stockpiling on top of commercial demand. Stockpiling not only mops up surplus production, it creates a shortage psychology as well; hence the recent forward buying of sterling area commodities. What would happen if some slight recession in America remote though it now seems, should change business sentiment and put a real brake on commercial buying? Most American stocks now, it is true,

look on the low side—but they are low only in relation to the current level of activity. The world's reaction to the first impact of the new shortages is one indication of the way the wind is setting. The Americans have been pressing for an international allocation scheme for wool; the French have been urging that all scarce commodities should be internationally allocated; and a committee of OEEC has been set up to examine the whole question. On the other hand it is already clear that the producing countries are not prepared to accept anything so drastic. The proposal for buying wool for American reserve requirements leaves the major part of the world wool trade to the free market. And it is only a proposal; in Australia and New Zealand the details when they are worked out will be scrutinised very carefully indeed before even this is accepted. No such scheme would be practicable without the co-operation of the producing countries. Once again this is only hypothesis. But if, total world demand, inflated by rearmament, should continue to expand and if, as is happening now, the producing countries maintain the freedom of their own markets, then an extension of controls of some kind within consuming countries must also be expected. These would, no doubt, be aimed at ensuring supplies to companies important in rearmament and exports. Firms interested mainly in the domestic market would, in these circumstances, almost certainly suffer.

Bertha With Her Mother



Here, on the right, is the little girl over whom Moslems in Singapore have engaged in riots during the past two days which have resulted in 12 people being killed and 200 injured. She is Maria Bertha Hertog and she is pictured here with her mother after their reconciliation following a court decision that Bertha was to return to the custody of her parent.—London Express Service.

Chinese Moving Troops Toward Central Korea

Tokyo, Dec. 13. A quarter million or more Chinese Communist troops shifted the ponderous bulk of their forces toward mountainous central Korea on Tuesday, possibly for another great flanking drive against United Nations troops in the west.

Although a fog of security blotted out most troop dispositions, it was believed here that the US Eighth Army now retains only a toehold north of the 38th Parallel.

In the northeast, the US Tenth Corps held grimly to a slender bridgehead in the Hungnam-Hungman escape port area on the Sea of Japan, with an evacuation fleet ready if needed.

Air power remained the only United Nations offensive weapon over most of North Korea. General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters in a war summary said the Reds were "advancing slowly with the centre of the mass increasingly veering toward the centre of the Korean peninsula."

Red China had a vanguard of 27 divisions—ninth armies now on the war fronts at the head of the 1,000,000 men it has committed to the Korean campaign.

MONGOLIANS ARRIVE
Among them were two newly identified divisions of swift moving Mongolian cavalry, mounted on strong, sure-footed ponies. Lightly armed these hardy fighters were the Asian equivalent of the Czarist Russian Cossacks.

Air reports have mentioned these cavalry units in recent weeks as maintaining ranks under direct air assault.

Headquarters said the Reds were taking advantage of a period of "no contact" to reinforce and re-supply their ground forces from bases in Manchuria, the "privileged sanctuary" to the northwest.

Associated Press correspondent Don Whitehead, back from the western front, said that while US forces have not yet given up North Korea entirely to the enemy, "this prospect appears to be imminent."

Whitehead said the vast area between the 38th and 39th Parallels—an arc bolt 60 miles deep extending roughly 100 air miles across Korea from east to west—was a "clouded" zone. No one could say just how solidly this area has been occupied by the Chinese, or in what numbers.

Red troops—possibly Korean guerrillas—were rocketed and bombed on Tuesday near Chunchon, eight miles south of the 38th Parallel on a road and rail centre only 44 air miles northeast of Seoul, the Republic's capital.

MacArthur Waits For

Next Move By Chinese Reds

FROM SELKIRK PANTON

Tokyo, Dec. 13.

With the bulk of the United Nations forces in Korea now pulled back below the 38th parallel, General MacArthur, the supreme commander, is waiting for the next move by the Chinese Red armies now strangely quiet. And when it comes he will have the answer to a question troubling the world: Will the Chinese cross the parallel and invade the South Korean Republic?

Both he and the Chinese commanders know that this may be decided in mediation talks now going on at Lake Success. These talks are largely responsible for the lull in the Korean fighting and are giving the Chinese time to regroup and bring up supplies, and the United Nations forces a respite to unravel the tangle of a hasty retreat and to consolidate defence positions.

Troops withdrawn across the parallel have now taken up positions along a secret defence line somewhere south of the border. But the United Nations forces there now are too thin to stretch in depth across the 150 miles peninsula.

That is the reason why the largest United Nations forces still in North Korea—United States marines and infantry and the remnants of the British marine commando pinned down in Hungnam beach-head—may be evacuated to strengthen the southern defences against any new Red onslaught.

A fleet of United Nations warships and other vessels are standing by off-shore ready for such a possible pull-out rather than to try turning Hungnam into a Far Eastern "Tobruk."

DIVIDED OPINION

Military opinion in Tokyo is sharply divided into three schools as to what would happen if the Chinese Reds cross the rubicon and invade.

The first—the optimists—believe that a wide defence line can be held as the United Nations air power can upset Red plans and disrupt lengthened supply lines from Manchuria.

The second—the pessimists—say "get out of Korea now and save the crack regular troops to fight elsewhere."

Between these two extremes comes the third—the cautious middle-of-the-roaders—who believe in an as-you-were plan. They say: withdraw to the Pusan beach-head, from which the United Nations forces surged almost to victory against the Reds last September. They believe that United Nations forces could defend this foothold in southeast Korea throughout the winter and use it as a jumping-off place for a spring offensive.

Some observers in top official circles in Tokyo firmly believe that the Chinese Reds will halt at the frontier. But they are not many.—London Express Service.

Coal Board Loses

£460,524

London, Dec. 12. The National Coal Board announced today that it lost £460,524 during the third quarter of this year.

After a big loss during the first year of State ownership of the mines, the Board reported profits in 1948 and 1949 and during the first half of this year.

The Board's statement related the loss directly to the drift of manpower from the mines, falling production led to cuts in exports and Britain sells its coal at a higher price to overseas buyers than to those at home.

The average number of workers at 394,000 represented a drop of 24,000 over the year.

Output is going up, however, since the crisis call to miners to work an extra shift on Saturdays, it was revealed, tonight.

Last Saturday's extra shift brought in an estimated 552,700 tons and the week's total was 4,550,100 tons, compared with 4,414,000 tons in the week ended November 28.

Individual output was a record.—Reuter.

Father Christmas Goes To The 27th Brigade

From Bernard Wickstoed

Kure, Dec. 13.

I have met an Australian major today just back from an unusual military mission. He was sent over to Korea by the Commander-in-Chief, Major-General Robertson to be a sort of Father Christmas to the British 27th Brigade.

His name is Major R.S. Connor and his real job is looking after postings, pay, leave and discipline; so that he thought it a bit odd that the General told him to pack a suitcase full of samples Christmas presents that could be bought in Japan and take it over to the 27th Brigade to collect orders.

The idea was that as the boys in the front line couldn't do any Christmas shopping themselves he should do it for them in Japan.

The major packed his bag of samples with nylons, wrist watches and silk scarves and set off. Instead of by sleigh with reindeer, he journeyed by Dakota and jeep.

The Brigade was dug in on a series of ice-crusted hills and each time he called on a company the commander shouted out "Here comes Father Christmas boys", and the lads would pop out of fox-holes and come pouring down the hills.

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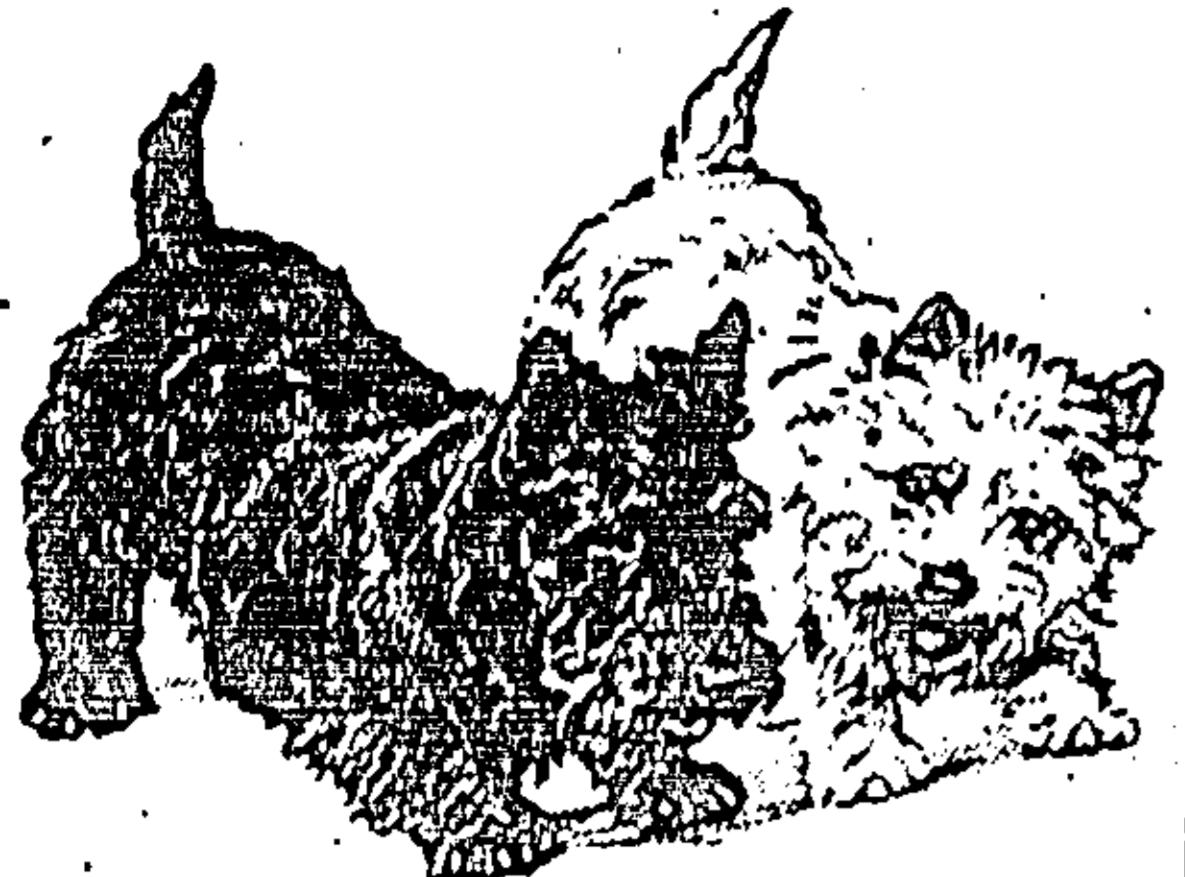


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**Airman's
Wrecked
Romance**

London, Dec. 12. Group Captain Claude Henry Turner, charged with inciting a red-haired Polish girl to leave the country, told a Warsaw Court today he hoped the girl would marry him, according to a press despatch received in London.

Turner, a former British Air Attaché in Warsaw, said he and the girl, Barbara Pobrowska, had discussed the possibility of divorcing his wife.

Miss Pobrowska, aged 29, is charged with attempting to leave the country illegally.

Turner said that she had wanted to abide by the regulations but it was difficult to get Polish passports. Miss Pobrowska said she met Turner on a hunting trip and fell in love with him. She had known nothing of his "intelligence activities."

"I wanted to leave Poland only because I love him and for no other reason," she told the Court. "I am very sorry for all I have done."

Turner is charged with trying to smuggle her out of the country in the 2,502-ton freighter Baltavia, of which he became assistant purser after being Air Attaché.—Reuter.

**The Movies
Missed Her**

Arriving in London from Stockholm, where she gave a series of concerts, Camilla Wicks, 21-year-old violinist who is said to be the world's most beautiful girl musician, made her British debut at the Royal Albert Hall last week. Called "the girl Menhun in the movies missed," Camilla, who is from California, is music magazine cover girl and has turned down Hollywood screen offers to devote her life to the violin. — London Express Service.

**Compromise
Plan For
New Guinea**

The Hague, Dec. 12. Dutch and Indonesian delegates joined today in confidential discussions on the future of Western New Guinea, officially stated to be held in a friendly atmosphere.

Documents released by both delegations tonight gave details of the latest seven-point Indonesian compromise plan for the future of Western New Guinea, at present under Dutch administration.

This plan is now under discussion.

Sources close to the Indonesian delegation said that the plan was absolutely conditional on Holland being prepared to give up control of the territory and formally cede it to the Republic of Indonesia by Dec. 27—the first anniversary of the transfer to Indonesia of the rest of the former Dutch East Indies.

The documents released tonight showed that the Indonesian Foreign Minister, Dr Mohammed Roem, made this demand on Thursday but the Dutch had rejected it.

Dr Roem said that his country, "deeply conscious of the dangers to world peace," was prepared to settle the New Guinea dispute by consultation.—Reuter.

**Chiefs Of Staff Agree Over
Role Of Germany In
West European Army
TIME-TABLE STEPPED UP**

London, Dec. 12. The Chiefs of Staff of the 12 Atlantic Pact nations agreed tonight on German participation in an integrated force under an Allied supreme commander to defend Western Europe.

The military men conferred throughout the day, and it was disclosed that the conference had gone so smoothly that the time-table had been stepped up.

It was in December, 1934, that he was called upon to take command of the Allied expeditionary force preparing for the liberation of Europe.—Reuter.

GERMAN ATTITUDE

Bonn, Dec. 12. Official German sources here declared tonight that West Germany could not accept the proposal for limited use of German battle groups within the framework of the North Atlantic Treaty.

They said that the Federal Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, had insisted on the principle of equal rights for Germany in any Western defence scheme and his Government would not accept any plan involving "discrimination" against Germany.—Reuter.

ACHESON TO ATTEND

Washington, Dec. 12.

The State Department announced that Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Army Secretary Frank Pace Jr. will fly to Brussels late on Sunday to attend next week's North Atlantic treaty meetings.

The announcement said President Truman suggested that the two attend the Monday and Tuesday meetings after the encouraging progress made in London by the treaty powers on establishing a unified Western European defence force.—United Press.

BRUSSELS MEETING

Washington, Dec. 12.

The Defence Secretary, General George Marshall, announced today that the North Atlantic Treaty Defence Committee would meet in Brussels on December 18 at the invitation of Belgium.

After holding a separate meeting, the Defence Ministers will meet the Atlantic Pact Foreign Minister in Brussels with the aim of urging a settlement on rearming Germany and setting up a unified army for the defence of Western Europe under General Dwight Eisenhower as Supreme Commander.

General Marshall is Chairman of the Atlantic Treaty Defence Committee, but he will not attend the Brussels meeting because of his urgent duties here resulting from the Korean situation. He will be represented in Brussels by the Army Secretary, Mr Frank Pace, who will be acting Chairman of the Defence Committee for the meeting there.—United Press.

IKE'S APPOINTMENT

London, Dec. 12.

General Dwight D. Eisenhower will probably be appointed Supreme Commander of the Atlantic Treaty forces in Europe before the end of this week, an authoritative source here today.

General Eisenhower is 60.

This will be his second appointment as Western Com-

mander-in-Chief.

Mr. Sidney Holland

Mr. Sidney Holland, the present Prime Minister, announced this morning a few hours after the 66-year-old Labour Opposition leader had died of a heart attack in hospital.

Mr. Fraser

Mr. Fraser, who was Pro-

from 1940 until his Gov-

ernment's defeat in last

year's elections, had been criti-

cally ill for some weeks with

bronchitis and heart trouble.

He died just before three

o'clock local time.—Reu-

ter.

**Gov't Defeated
In The Lords**

London, Dec. 12.

The Government was today

defeated by 84 votes to 28 in

the House of Lords, where the

Conservative Opposition has

a big majority.

**Heavy Penalty For
Notre Dame Theft**

Paris, Dec. 12.

Georges Mansu, aged 23, a

mechanic, was sentenced to four

years' imprisonment and fined

50,000 francs here for having

stolen two gilded monstrances

from the Cathedral of Notre Dame.

**Attlee Talk With
Churchill**

London, Dec. 12.

Mr. Winston Churchill, the

leader of the Conservative Op-

position in Parliament, had a

private talk with Mr. Clement

Attlee, the Prime Minister, to-

night, on the Truman-Attlee

meetings in Washington.

After the Mr. Attlee and Mr. Churchill had a friendly con-

sult on foreign policy, it is

customary for the Prime Minis-

ter to keep the Opposition

leader informed on affairs re-

lated to his party.

**Muslims In London
Plan Parade Over
Jungle Girl Case**

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, Dec. 12. Five hundred Muslims from all over Britain plan to hold a demonstration march through the main streets of London on Meeladunabi (the Prophet's birthday), Dec. 24, if "Jungle Girl" Bertha Hertog is forced to leave her Muslim husband and return to Holland.

In an exclusive dawn interview today by the Vice-President of the Azad Kashmir Muslim League, Sadiq Hussain, whose society is organizing the march as a protest against what they describe as "open aggression" by Christianity towards the Islam religion, stated the League is entirely in sympathy with the principles of the Singapore demonstration although it regretted the bloodshed.

Hussain, stated that Muslims coming from all over the British Isles for the celebration of Meeladunabi, would take part and they also hoped many other Muslim societies would send representatives.

The plan is for the demonstrators to march along Fleet Street through Trafalgar Square and up Whitehall, carrying banners proclaiming that action in this case is directly contrary to their beliefs and calling for immediate suspension of this "illegal and judgmental" court action.

The League will have to apply for permission to Scotland Yard, however, as a result of an incident last year when their President, Fred...—Reuter.

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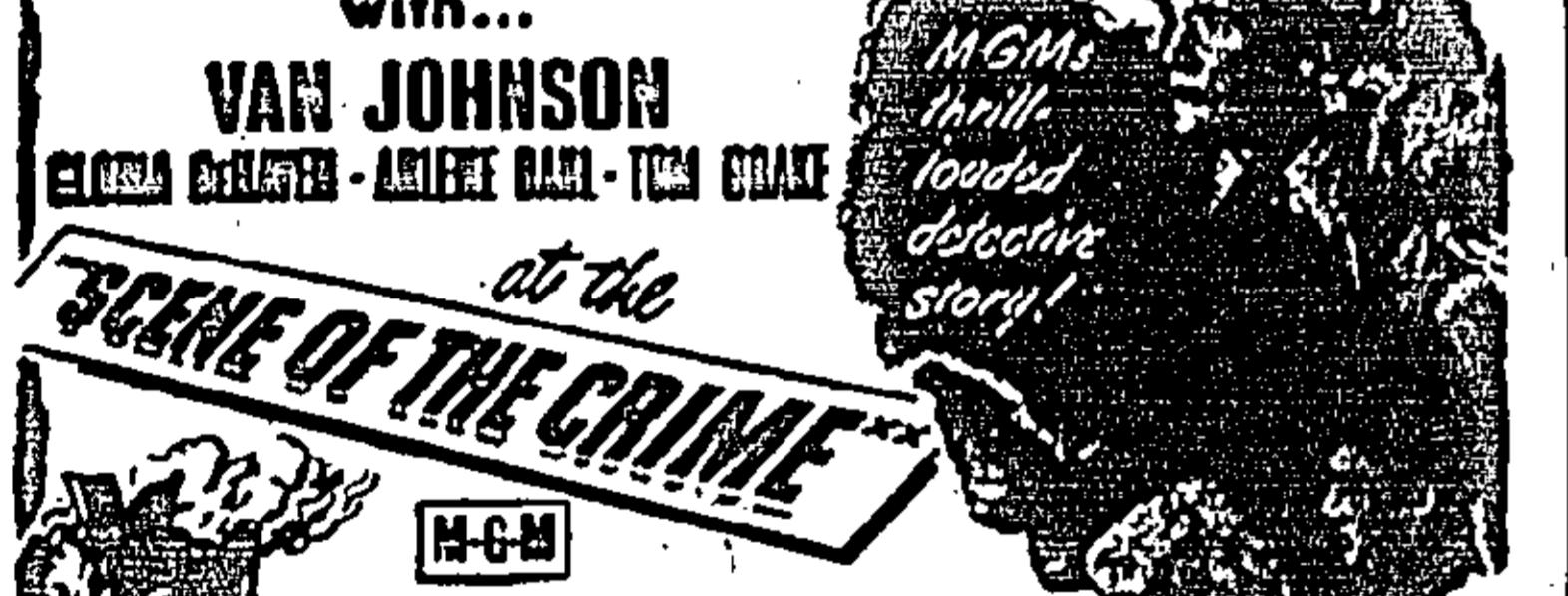
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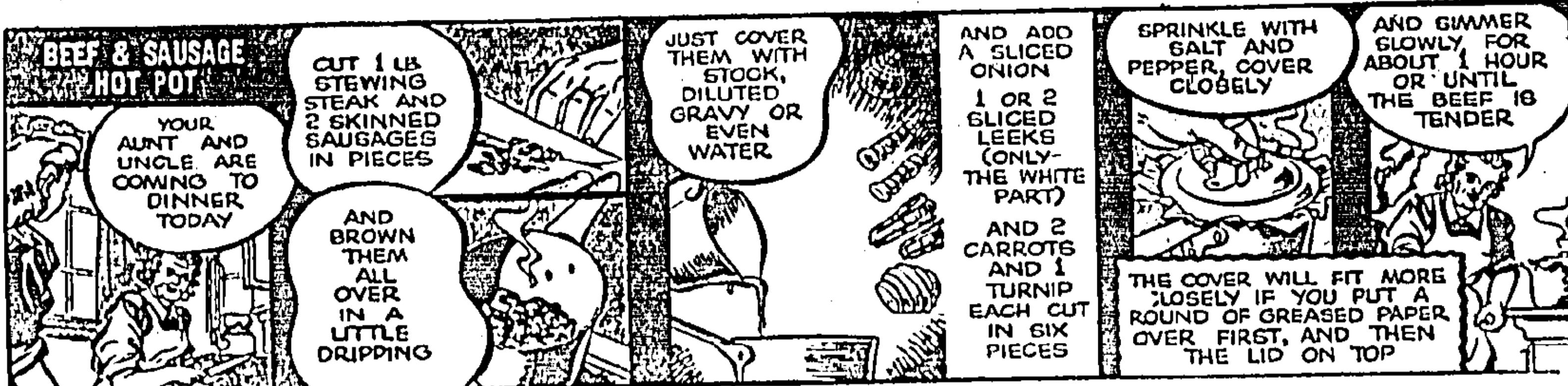


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Distorted Ideas On Facts Of Life Are Bad For The Child

By CARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

EVERY now and then only at helping the child gain the facts of life accurately but at helping him acquire them in a wholesome atmosphere with ideal relationship to his parents. Of first importance are his attitudes while gaining the facts and his attitude toward these facts as he continues to grow. Apart from sex education itself, both the child and his parents lose something very precious when this child has not gradually received essential sex facts from his parents. This lack bespeaks the absence of desirable relationship between the child and his parents.

When the growing child freely asks his parents any question, including sex questions, of great concern to him, there is a very desirable parent-child confidence and companionship. And when the child feels from accumulating experiences that all his questions are welcomed and answered kindly and companionably, he tends not only to enjoy still closer companionship with his parents but also wholesome attitudes toward these questions and their answers.

BEFORE ADOLESCENCE

No doubt most of today's children, long before adolescence, know far more of the facts of life than their parents knew at the same age. Indeed, some youngsters could tell their parents a few things. But thanks to the better wisdom and ways of many modern parents, more children year by year, it seems, have been acquiring the facts of life in a more wholesome fashion and at an earlier age than their parents did.

Good sex education of children by their parents aims not

How can the child with few or no inhibitions at five, twelve or fifteen escape undesirable sex attitudes and practices? And what will it profit him to gain, even in the most wholesome manner, all the facts of life, unless he also gains the stuff of character in his ideals and conduct to use these facts wholesomely? How, therefore, can we provide good sex education for our children without training and educating them in due regard for the rights and feelings of other persons? In the acres and acres of print on sex education of children, one wonders why this essential factor has been so generally ignored.

Household Hints

Extremes of water temperature causes woollens to shrink. The safe way to launder them is to be sure the water for washing and rinsing is the same temperature—lukewarm.

To entertain a convalescent child who must be kept quiet, get a coloured balloon and tie it to the bed where a current of air will move it slightly. It will hold the child's interest.

SEX ATTITUDES

Basic in good sex attitudes are a high regard for other persons, especially of the opposite sex, and everything precious to them; also sufficient self-discipline to prove and maintain this regard. As you can see, happy sex relationship in marriage presupposes this same type of regard and self-discipline. Whereas the growing child needs protection from those who might not have due respect for him, including his body, he also needs such discipline as will help him gain self-discipline toward other persons. He needs not only to know what is right but to have the self-drive to do what is right and the self-control not to do what he knows is wrong.

If the skin or pelt side of your fur is hard and dry, or if the hair sheds, rub an oil soap into the skin until it is flexible. To do this, pin the fur to a board, skin side up, and rub in paste oil soap or thick soapsuds into which a little neatsfoot oil has been whipped.

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The Tragedy Of The Kentish Farmer

No sight can be more painful than to see a man being cross-examined as to his own sanity. The issues are so vital and the consequences may be so terrible that no jury should be called upon to enter into such enquiry; indeed it is more than doubtful if any jury can be competent to do so. The state of a man's mind, the degree of his mental stability, depends so much upon so many factors that it can only be decided, if at all, by persons who have had years of experience and training in such matters.

There is on record in the Assize Courts of a County town the case of a man who was being tried for a brutal assault upon the warden of a lunatic asylum. The man himself had been an inmate, and according to his own story he had committed the assault with the sole and definite purpose of being brought before a jury, so that at last he might have an opportunity of establishing beyond any doubt that he was completely sane and that he should never have been incarcerated.

Own defence

He conducted his own defence. For hours he had cross-examined witnesses for the prosecution and had conducted legal arguments in a manner so reasoned and restrained that he had satisfied every person in the Court that he was as sane as they were; and then quite suddenly a point arose of no materiality, which seemed to incense him without reason. He burst into a tirade of abuse, particularly directed against the Royal Family, so violent and absurd that within two minutes the same people were satisfied beyond all question, not only that he was mad, but probably a homicidal maniac. Without that outburst the jury could, quite possibly, have been induced to make a grave mistake.

If no jury should properly be called upon to enter into such enquiry, no advocate should be required to cross-examine a person for the same purpose. I can remember few more unhappy experiences than the day when I had to cross-examine a Kentish farmer whom I shall call Mr. Blank.

He was married and in the year 1912 was fifty years of age. From a medical point of view his family history was unsatisfactory. His mother had died in an asylum, although the actual cause of her insanity was never explained in court. His elder brother was there described as "eccentric, bordering on insanity for years."

Seriously ill

In October 1912 Mr. Blank became seriously unwell, and was so unwise as to consult a person whom he described as a quack doctor, with the result that he received some treatment which proved far from beneficial. He was injected with some substance, the nature of which he did not know, but which caused him to become seriously ill, to such an extent that he became delirious, and remained in that condition for about a month.

Very shortly afterwards, and as he thought in consequence of this treatment, he engaged upon certain activities which were no doubt very largely responsible for his subsequent misfortunes. One of the most peculiar was a visit that he paid to Borstal prison. He hired a motor car for the purpose, in which he was accompanied by a solicitor and a land agent whom he desired to be present as guarantors of his position and reputation, as he wished to ask the Governor's permission for him to preach to those prisoners who were under sentence of death. As there were of course no prisoners at Borstal under such sentence the visit may well have seemed peculiar.

On November 12, 1912, he summoned to his house the reporter of a local newspaper to whom he dictated a remarkable account of certain visions of which he gave detailed particulars. On the same day he wrote to the local post office a letter

which may well have caused amusement to its recipients, and which subsequently remained annexed to his medical records.

"Dear Postal Official
(or Officials),

Jesus has touched my eyes.
If I have done wrong I am
willing to make things right.
I love you. If you love Jesus
and love me, you will come
and see me and make me
happy.

Yours sincerely,
W. S. Blank
(a sinful man.)

Mr. Blank's medical advisers took a very serious view of this document, which they attached to the report they made upon his mental condition.

Delusions

In addition the report stated that Mr. Blank was suffering from delusions, one of which was that his wife had been unfaithful to him. It is right to state that no evidence whatever was given in any way supporting the truth of this suggestion, but at the same time it might well have been argued on Mr. Blank's behalf that many a married man might possibly be under a similar misapprehension in regard to his own wife without necessarily being regarded as a fit subject for detention in an asylum.

However, this combination of circumstances satisfied Mr. Blank's family that his mental condition had become affected, and they accordingly consulted two medical men who certified him as insane, and he was removed to a private asylum presided over by a medical superintendent named Doctor X.

Mr. Blank only remained at this asylum for about a month. At the end of this period the medical superintendent formed the opinion that Mr. Blank was sufficiently recovered to be able to return home to his family. Mr. Blank was therefore seen by two visiting Justices, who issued an order that he should be released on leave for 28 days.

High dudgeon

Mr. Blank's brother was requested to attend the asylum for the purpose of escorting the patient to his house. Mr. Blank evinced great displeasure at being accompanied by his brother, who, he considered, was the cause of his original certification, and indeed stated that he would prefer to be escorted by the police; but this was thought to be unreasonable, and so Mr. Blank left the asylum in his brother's company and in high dudgeon.

On the next day Mr. Blank saw many different people. Two of them, doctors, thought that he was not in his right mind. Many others, some of them business men, took a directly contrary view and considered he was perfectly normal.

On the second day of his freedom Mr. Blank came to London. After paying certain business calls, one of which was on his bank, during which he appeared to be quite normal, he called at the office of a Commissioner in Lunacy. There was some dispute as to what actually occurred. Mr. Blank presumably desired to raise questions as to the propriety of much that had happened to him, but on his first arrival the Commissioner himself was not present in the office. Mr. Blank was seen by an Assistant who stated that he could not make head nor tail of what he wanted, though Mr. Blank talked incessantly.

Not fit

When the Commissioner appeared upon the scene he interviewed Mr. Blank personally and came to the conclusion that he was not in a fit condition to remain at large. A telephone message was sent to Dr. X, requesting that a car be sent to convey the patient to the asylum, and Mr. Blank was detained in the Commissioner's Office until the car arrived. Two male attendants arrived. This actual detention during that short period was the only possible act the responsibility for which could be held to rest upon the Commissioner personally.

From that day in 1912 Mr. Blank remained as a mental patient in various asylums until October 1921. He was periodically visited by visitors in Lunacy and examined by many doctors all of whom were of

the opinion that his further detention was justified.

During the latter part of that nine-year period his condition became improved, however, and permission was given to him to call upon persons who lived in the neighbourhood, all of whom formed the opinion that his mental state was normal.

In October 1921 Mr. Blank escaped from the asylum, and remained at liberty for 14 days after which interval he could not, according to the Lunacy Laws, be retaken under the original reception order. If it was desired further to detain him as a lunatic it would be necessary to have him recertified. This was never done; indeed Mr. Blank voluntarily submitted himself to further medical examination, at which he was pronounced to be sane and consequently no longer liable to restraint.

Only injury

Unfortunately the sympathetic considerations which arose in the case of Mr. Blank tended to swamp the legal issues which were really fundamental to his claim for damages.

With regard to Dr. X, that gentleman had been appointed under the Lunacy Acts which defined his duties and responsibilities. Provided he acted in good faith and honestly believed that Mr. Blank was a fit person to be detained under his care and further took reasonable precautions in his investigations, then he personally could be under no liability for that detention; and Dr. X contended that there was not and could not be the slightest evidence that he acted otherwise than in the honest belief that Mr. Blank's mind was deranged and that he took all reasonable precautions in his investigations.

With regard to the Commissioner in Lunacy, he contended that even if he was wrong in his belief that Mr. Blank was insane on that December day in 1912, the only injury that he had caused to Mr. Blank was to detain him in his office for two hours until the car from the asylum arrived, and that any damages the jury awarded should be limited to that short period of time.

The appeal

By the time the case drew to a conclusion popular feeling was running so strongly in Mr. Blank's favour that even the learned Judge was temporarily deflected from a true interpretation of the necessary legal implications. He ruled that the jury were entitled, if they thought fit, to regard all the many years of incarceration as being damages upon that basis. He also held that there was evidence upon which the Jury might find that Dr. X did not in fact take reasonable precautions to satisfy himself that Mr. Blank was insane.

With that interpretation of the law before them the jury had no hesitation as to the verdict they should return. They found against both Defendants and awarded to Mr. Blank by way of damages the sum of £24,000.

It was a most unfortunate result. There was an immediate appeal to the Court of Appeal who took a different view of the law from that expressed by Mr. Justice Lush. They held that there was no evidence of lack of reasonable care having been taken, and further that any damages which would be properly payable by the Commissioner must be limited to such amount as would be attributable solely to the short detention in his office. Accordingly the action against Doctor X was dismissed entirely, and a new trial was directed as against the Lunacy Commissioner.

In the river

Poor Mr. Blank. That was not the end of his misfortunes. The next I saw of him, was when he was sitting—a lone figure—outside the room I occupied, as Attorney General, in the House of Commons. Night after night he sat there alone, and I was compelled to pass him as I went to and fro from my room. What he was doing there I never knew. He never moved and never spoke but his continued presence was more than I could endure. I sent my policeman to tell him that I found his presence to be embarrassing and to ask him not to sit there any more. He received my message very apologetically and courteously.

I never saw him again. Within a comparatively short time he was dead. His body was recovered from the River Thames. He was drowned.

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GOING ON

by EPHRAIM HARDCastle

ONE of the drivers on the Paris bus route No. 171 — Porte de Versailles to Pont de Sevres — is a burly cheerful man called Pierre Bernadotte.

These last few days he has carried with him a letter he received under the royal seal of Sweden. It is a reply to his own note of good wishes to the new King Gustav VI.

The queen said "No".

Words of Lunn

I HEAR from Lady Mabel Lunn that her husband Arnold Lunn, is in America on the last lap of his round-the-world lecture tour. He will fly direct to Murren in time for Christmas.

Lunn, the man from a green country who made riding a great international sport, is qualified to talk on many other subjects as well. And it seems plenty of people wish to listen to him.

Other Truman

OFTEN, as he walks in Grandview, U.S., the District Director for Western Missouri hears people saying: "You know for a second I thought that was..." Whereupon he breaks in with "Mr. Truman. Well, it is."

For the director is Vivian Truman, the President's brother, and there is a strong resemblance between them.

Vivian has no interest in politics, rarely goes to Washington. Says he: "I've no damned reason to."

Queen trumped

WITH A view to economising on the 100 dollars (£35 14s.) a day they have been paying for hotel suites, Egypt's Queen Nazli, her daughter Princess Fathia, and son-in-law Rihad Galli, have been searching San Francisco for a flat.

Now they have found one—three bedrooms, three bathrooms, fifty dollars a week—in a fabulous penthouse overlooking the bay.

They called in furniture-movers, painters, and decorators. But it doesn't look as if they will be able to move in.

Doormen at the penthouse do not belong to the local union. So the union ordered a picket line to march in front of it; and Queen Nazli's removal men have refused to cross the line.

Desperately, Mr. Galli invited the pickets to his housewarming—if they would only let them get in. Union head Russell Dreyer refused.

To Queen Nazli, however, Dreyer has made an offer. "You

inside altogether.

FIELD-MARSHAL LORD MONTGOMERY has entered his 64th year. By the end of

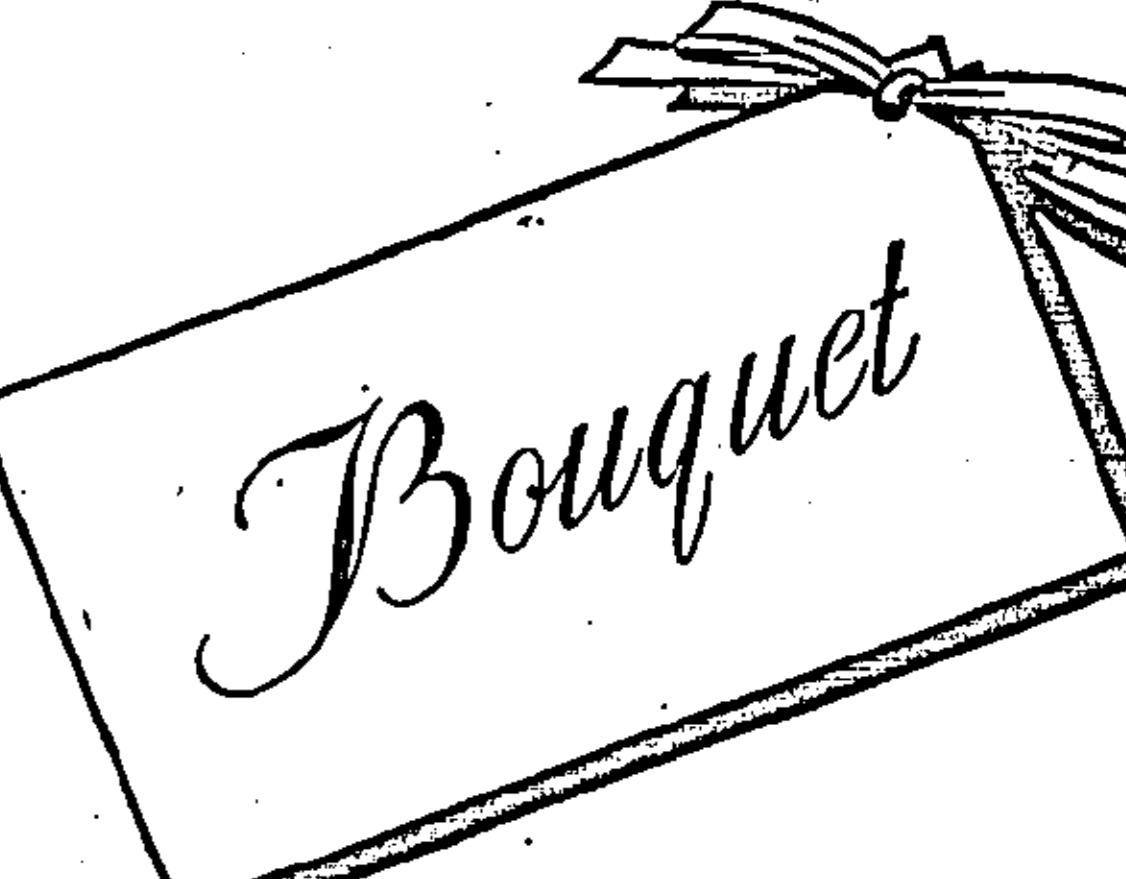
he may have laid down all active command.

For if, as seems likely, a Supreme Headquarters of the Western Powers is set up at Versailles, Montgomery's five nations H. Q. at Fontainebleau will disband. GENERAL

EISENHOWER will command the new formation.

I hear that "Monty" may take a hand in laying the foundations but that, as soon as "Ike" appears, he will stand aside altogether.

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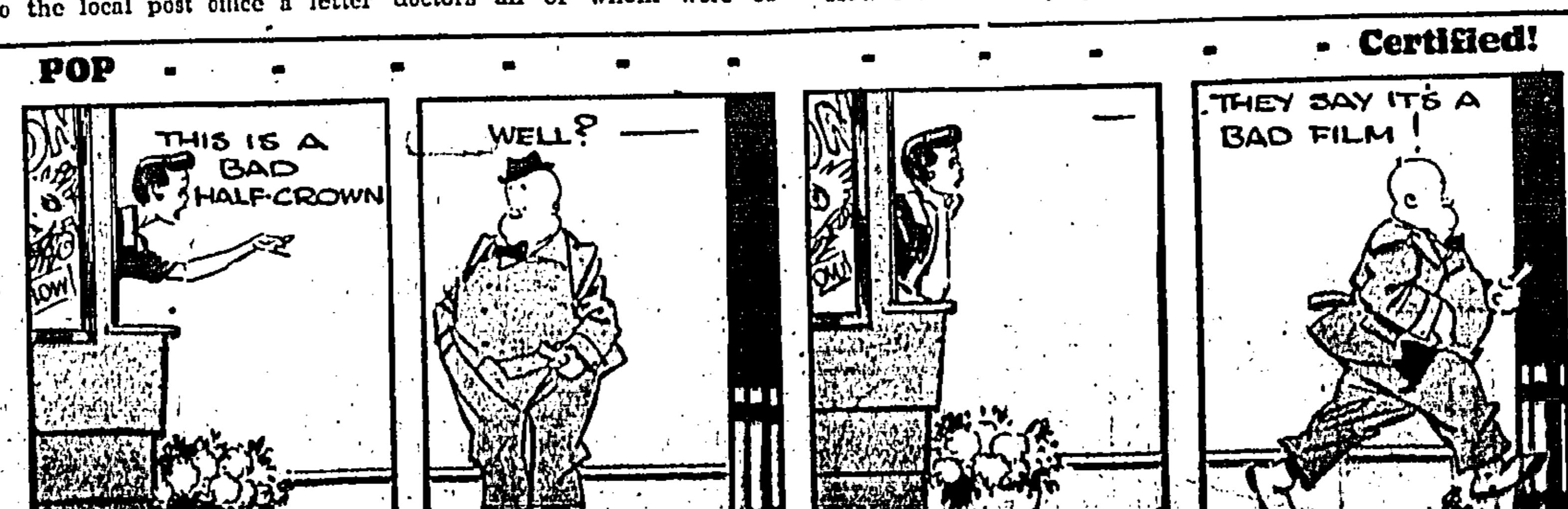
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THE MURDER OF POLISH PRISONERS AT KATYN

By Winston Churchill

After repeated grumblings at the slow progress of the Tunisian campaign, and the consequent postponement of any Allied landing in Europe, Stalin appeared at the end of March 1943, in a more agreeable mood.

Thanking Mr Churchill for the film "Desert Victory," he wrote: "The film depicts magnificently how Britain is fighting, and glorifies those scoundrels (there are such people also in our country) who are asserting that Britain is not fighting at all, but is merely an onlooker."

Mr Churchill had now to explain that German concentrations at Narvik and shipping demands for the Sicily operation combined to make it impossible to resume the Arctic convoys to Russia before September.

My full explanation and accounts were not wholly unswerving. The answer from Stalin, on April 12, was more friendly than usual.

The evidence

"The speedy development of the Anglo-American advance in Tunis constitutes an important success in the war against Hitler and Mussolini. I wish you to kill the enemy and capture as many prisoners and trophies as possible.

"We are delighted that you are not giving respite to Hitler. To your strong and successful bombing of the big German cities we add now our air raids on the German industrial centres of East Prussia. Many thanks for the film depicting the results of the bombing of Essen. This film, as well as all the other films which you promise to send, will be widely shown to our Army and population.

"The contemplated deliveries of fighters from the cancelled convoys are of great value to us. I am also very grateful for your offer to send us 60 Hurricanes armed with 40 mm. cannon. . . .

"Our people highly appreciate the warm feelings and sympathy of the British people which have found expression in the creation of the Aid to Russia Fund mentioned by you. Please convey to your wife, who is at the head of the Fund, my thanks for her untiring activities in this sphere."

A breach

A breach now occurred between the Soviet Government and the Polish Government in exile in London. After the overthrowing of Poland by the German and Russian armies, following the Ribbentrop-Molotov agreement of September, 1939, many thousands of Poles had given themselves up to the Russians, with whom Poland was not at war, and were interned. By further Nazi-Soviet agreements many of these were handed over to the Germans for forced labour purposes.

As prisoners of officer status cannot, under the Geneva Convention, be so treated, the Soviets had in their hands 14,500 Poles of whom 8,000 were officers of the Polish Army, who were interned in three camps in the Smolensk regions. These included a considerable proportion of Polish intelligentsia, including university professors, engineers and leading citizens who had been mobilised as Polish reservists.

Until the spring of 1940 there had been intermittent news of the existence of these prisoners. From April 1940, silence descended upon the three camps. Not a single sign or trace of their occupants ever appeared for 13 or 14 months. They were certainly in Soviet power, but no letter, message, escapee, or scrap of information ever came from them.

Became allies

When Hitler surprised the Russians by his invasion on June 20, 1941, the relations between Russia and Poland changed overnight. They became allies. Gen. Anders and other Polish generals who had hitherto been confined under rigorous conditions, including beatings, in Russian prison, were now washed, clothed, released, welcomed, and given high commands in the Polish forces, which the Soviets were

now raising to fight the German invaders.

The Poles, who had long been anxious about the fate of the large group of officers in the three internment camps, asked for their release in order to join the new Polish Army, to which they would have been invaluable. About 400 officers were collected from other parts of Russia, but not one from the three camps now in German throes could ever be found. No explanation could be offered to repeated Polish inquiries by their new comrades-in-arms.

Polish leaders, who now had access to many Soviet authorities with whom they were working and who were helping them form their Army, were conscious on numerous occasions of embarrassment on the part of the Russian officials, but no news of the whereabouts of the 14,500 occupants of the three camps was ever forthcoming, and no survivor ever appeared. This naturally led to suspicion and friction between the Polish and the Soviet Governments.

drawal of the Russian guards from the camps would have been offered, and when we remember all the contacts afterwards during the period of Russo-Polish co-operation, belief in this theory seems an act of faith.

I made one of my rare visits to Chartwell to spend the night at my cottage. The telephone announced that the Soviet Ambassador must see me at once and was on his way. Maisky arrived in unusual perturbation. He brought me a message from Stalin that after the hideous charges which the Polish Government in London had published and sponsored against Russia of the wholesale murder of the Polish officer prisoners, the agreement of 1941 would be immediately denounced.

I said I thought the Poles had been unwise to make or lend themselves to such accounts, but that I earnestly hoped a blunder of this kind would not entail a breach in their relations with the Soviets. I drafted a telegram to Stalin in this sense.

M. Maisky proceeded to argue the falsity of the accusation, and gave various reasons to prove the physical impossibility of the



The author of these memoirs (centre), bemedalled and with the famous cigar in his hand, seen with Mrs Churchill and Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery at the fifth Alamein reunion in London this year.

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German report

On April 13 the German wireless publicly charged the Soviet Government with the murder of the 14,500 Poles in the three camps, and proposed to hold an international inquiry on the spot into their fate. We cannot wonder that the Polish Government was attracted by this plan, but the International Red Cross announced from Geneva that they could not undertake any inquiry into the German allegations unless a corresponding invitation to do so was received from the Soviet Government.

The Germans, therefore, conducted their own investigations and a committee of experts drawn from the countries under German influence, produced a detailed report claiming that upwards of 10,000 bodies had been found in mass graves, and that the evidence of documents found on them and the age of the trees planted over the graves showed that the executions dated back to the spring of 1940, when the area was under Soviet control.

No record

Eventually in September 1943, the region of Katyn was occupied by the Russians. After the recapture of Smolensk a committee composed exclusively of Russians was appointed to inquire into the fate of the Poles of Katyn. Their report, issued in January, 1944, claims that the three camps were not evacuated in time, owing to the rapidity of the German advance, and that the Polish prisoners fell into German hands and were later slaughtered.

This version implies that nearly 15,000 Polish officers and men, of whom there was no record since the spring of 1940, passed into German hands in July 1941, and were later destroyed by the Germans without one single person escaping and reporting, either to the Russian authorities or to a Polish Consul in Russia or to the Underground Movement in Poland.

When we consider the possibilities for escape which the confusion caused by the German advance and the eventual withdrawal

avoided, and the crime of Katyn was never probed in detail.

The Soviet Government did not take the opportunity of clearing themselves of the horrible and widely believed accusation against them and of fastening the guilt conclusively upon the German Government, some of whose principal figures were in the dock on trial for their lives. In the final judgment of the International Tribunal at Nuremberg, Katyn is not mentioned in the section dealing with the treatment of prisoners of war by Nazi Germany.

Everyone is therefore entitled to form his own opinion, and there is certainly no lack of material in the many books that have been published by the Polish leaders still in exile from their country, and in particular those written by Mr Mikolajczyk, the former Polish Prime Minister, who joined the first Polish Government after the war, and by General Anders.

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MORE TOMORROW

American column

Divorce no crime, says judge

From NEWELL ROGERS

NEW YORK. SHOULD judges stop punishing the guilty party in a divorce? Does such punishment help to break up homes?

Yes, said Judge Paul Alexander tonight. And he has been Divorce Court judge in Toledo, Ohio, for 14 years.

He believes that the present marriage and divorce laws contribute to family instability.

"Take divorce out of the present, nearly criminal court," he said. "Let the judge decide what is the real trouble. Let him find out what can be done to help."

"He should not be heavy-handed, ponderous, judgmental, but sympathetic, understanding, and therapeutic."

Judge Alexander admits that some judges may flinch from becoming doctors of hearts instead of judges of heart-break.

He urged a go-slow on divorces for couples married less than three years.

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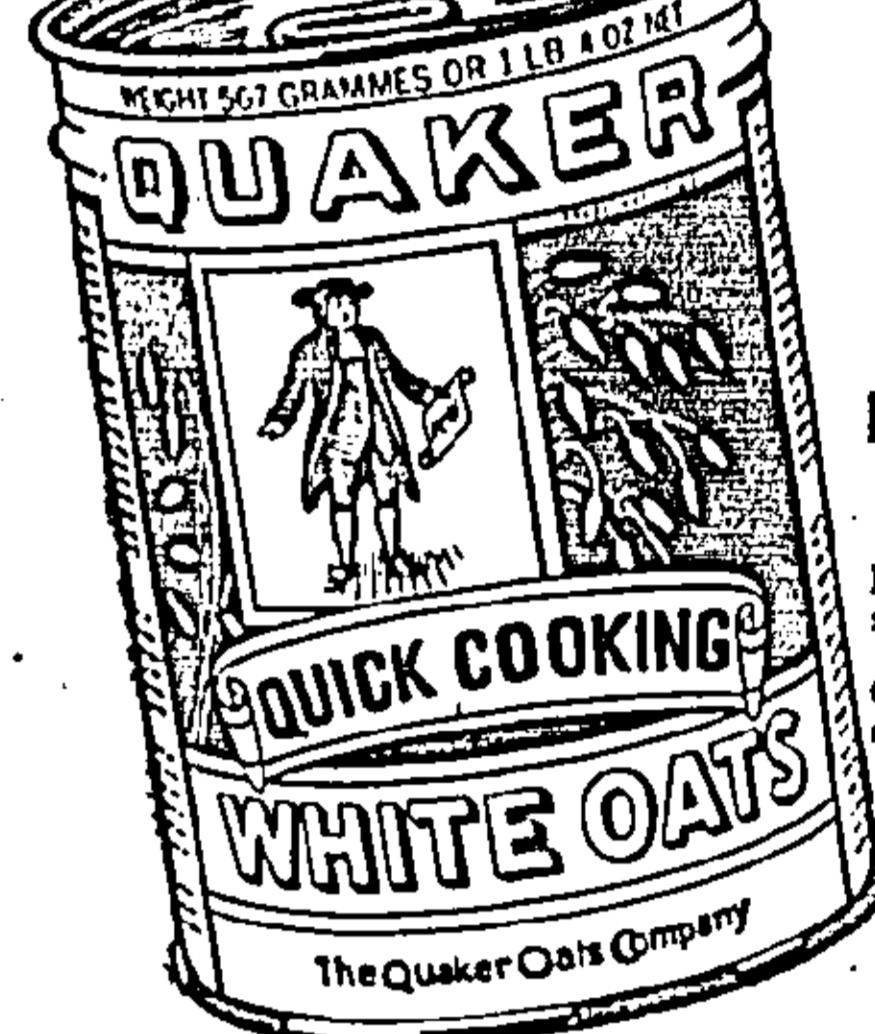
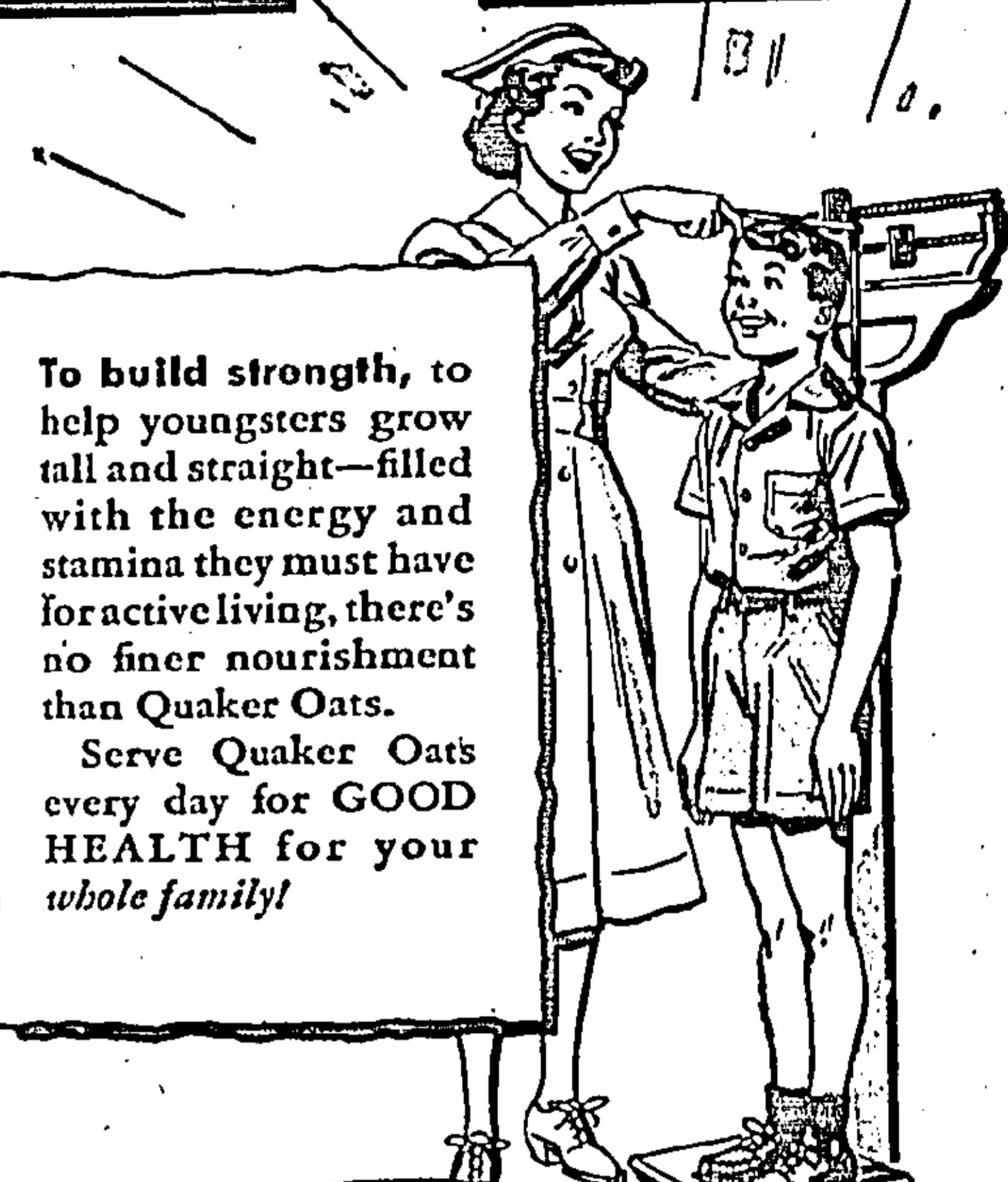
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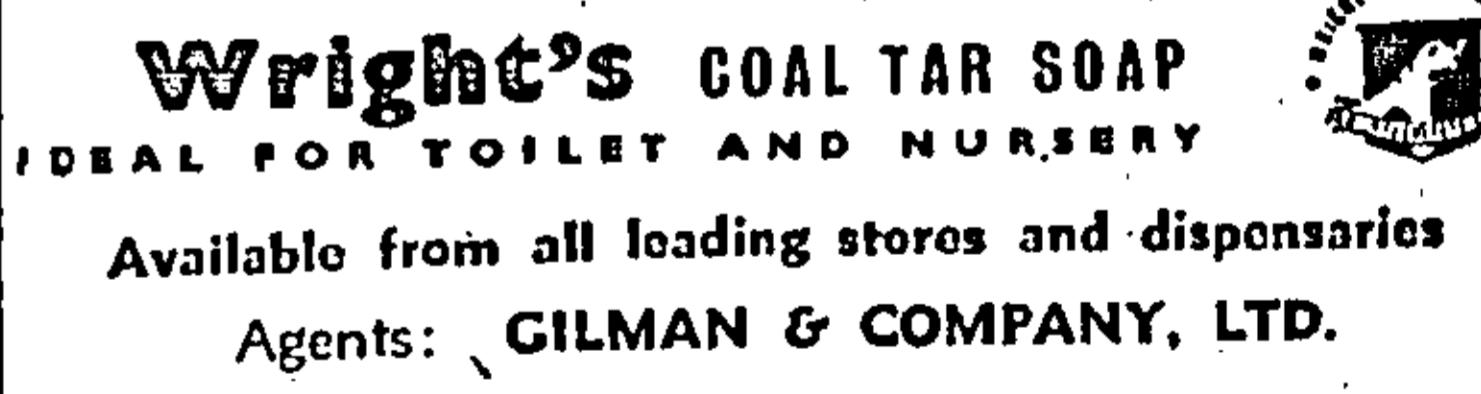
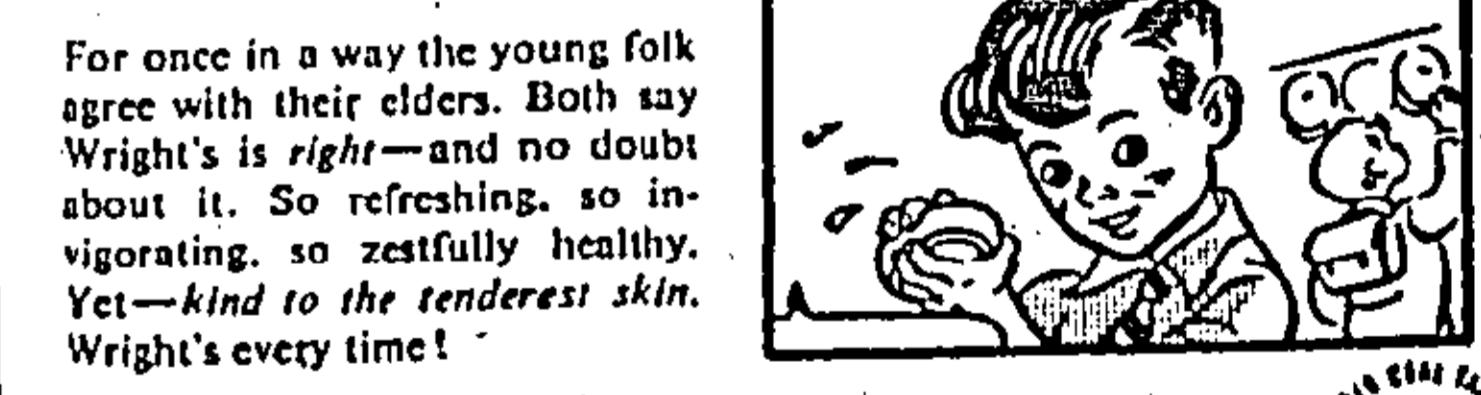
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Mr. Chairman...

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See a psychiatrist at once.

Or, better still, try your exercise on the roof-edge of a high building with a gale blowing.

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citor, deceased.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
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Section 56 of the Probates Ordin-
ance 1937, made an Order limiting
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to send in their claims against the
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January, 1951.All creditors and others are ad-
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ance 1937, they are required to send
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THE VARSITIES' RUGGER MATCH

Oxford have now won four of the six University matches since 1945, when the war-time series came to an end. This year's victory over Cambridge by a goal and a penalty goal (8 points) to nothing, was the third in succession and, like its immediate predecessors, evidence of superior team-work and the avoidance of serious mistakes rather than any overwhelming advantage on the run of the play. There were 52,000 spectators, which was a few thousands less than last year's record attendance.

One cannot imagine many people disputing that Oxford were the cleverer and better-balanced side, nor that they contributed most of the good Rugby to a game, which, on a turf speckled with snow and terribly treacherous under foot, easily might have degenerated into a mere desperate struggle, however exciting it was bound to be as a spectacle.

The fact remained that Cambridge had to blunder twice badly for there to be any score at all. Admittedly, the Oxford attack, which clearly was at its strongest and most adroit in mid-field, was handicapped by an early injury to Hofmeyr, playing on this occasion at stand-off-half—his position before he became a full-back good enough to catch the eyes of the England selectors. Soon after landing a penalty goal in the opening minutes, he sustained a painful injury to the groin and had to leave the field for treatment.

He soon returned, but Lewis, the full-back, had to be used as a stand-off player for a while, and it was fairly clear that Hofmeyr had to nurse himself to some extent for the rest of the match. That he always was the cool and skilful pivot, as well as a valuable defender, spoke well for his courage and knowledge of the game.

A LOST CHANCE

The wintry conditions almost immediately impressed themselves upon the play and, as in 1949, and in the self-same corner, a Cambridge fieldman made a fatal mistake—fatal, that is, by reason of the situation it produced. Hofmeyr had tested the Cambridge full-back with a long rolling punt ahead from left to right. From the midfield Botting picked up and, with a quick pass, sent Cannell dashing for the goal-line, which was only a few yards ahead. Cannell both stepped into touch and knocked down the corner-flag in diving over, and Cambridge were saved for a few more moments. But a penalty decision for off-side quickly followed and Hofmeyr just got the ball over the crossbar from the "23" line at a wide angle.

A fierce footrush by the Cambridge forwards then raised the echoes, but neither they nor the individualistic backs in midfield were more than spasmodically dangerous. The Cambridge pack, nearly all new Blues, on the whole put up the effort expected of them, without, however, ever gaining the ascendancy so vital to their side's chance, for the inferiority at centre was crushing in its general effect. Archer and N. E. Williams in the back row showed up from time to time, and one breakaway by the former might well have brought a try but for a dropped pass, but in the second half, especially, not only the Oxford back-row of highly experienced players, but men like Emms, from the front row, and Bullard, from the second, became progressively a menace to the Cambridge goal-line. Cambridge got a fair share of the ball in the first half, but far from it in the second. It was largely the gallantry and dash of Shepherd at the heels of the pack that kept Cambridge an effective fighting force in a losing battle.

ELUSIVE SWERVE

It was Booby's elusive swerve from the hips, shaking off a feeble tackle which actually laid hold of him for a moment, that produced the only try shortly before the interval. Booby, who has another characteristic quality, that of quickly getting into a stride again when halted, kept dodging his way through an apparently crowded defence and found Emms up for the scoring pass. Not far from the goal-line, Hofmeyr made the try into a goal and that, as it proved, was all the scoring in the match.

Although one never felt quite sure where to look for Hofmeyr, he was, in fact, an important factor in preventing Cambridge ever from settling down to a sustained attack in the second period. Repeatedly one spotted him covering his full-back. For the greater part of 25 minutes, Oxford had the better of their opponents fore and aft, only an occasional breakaway by Davies, N. E. Williams, and Shepherd, and that one fleeting chance, half-offered to Smith—kept the game alive for Cambridge. On the wings, neither Botting nor Winn troubled the Cambridge defence very greatly, but Cannell and Booby took a lot of

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Through Tickets (8 Races—\$16.00) may be obtained at the Comptorade Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Telephone House, and tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting, as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Percy Memorial Cup", scheduled to be run on 28th February, 1951.

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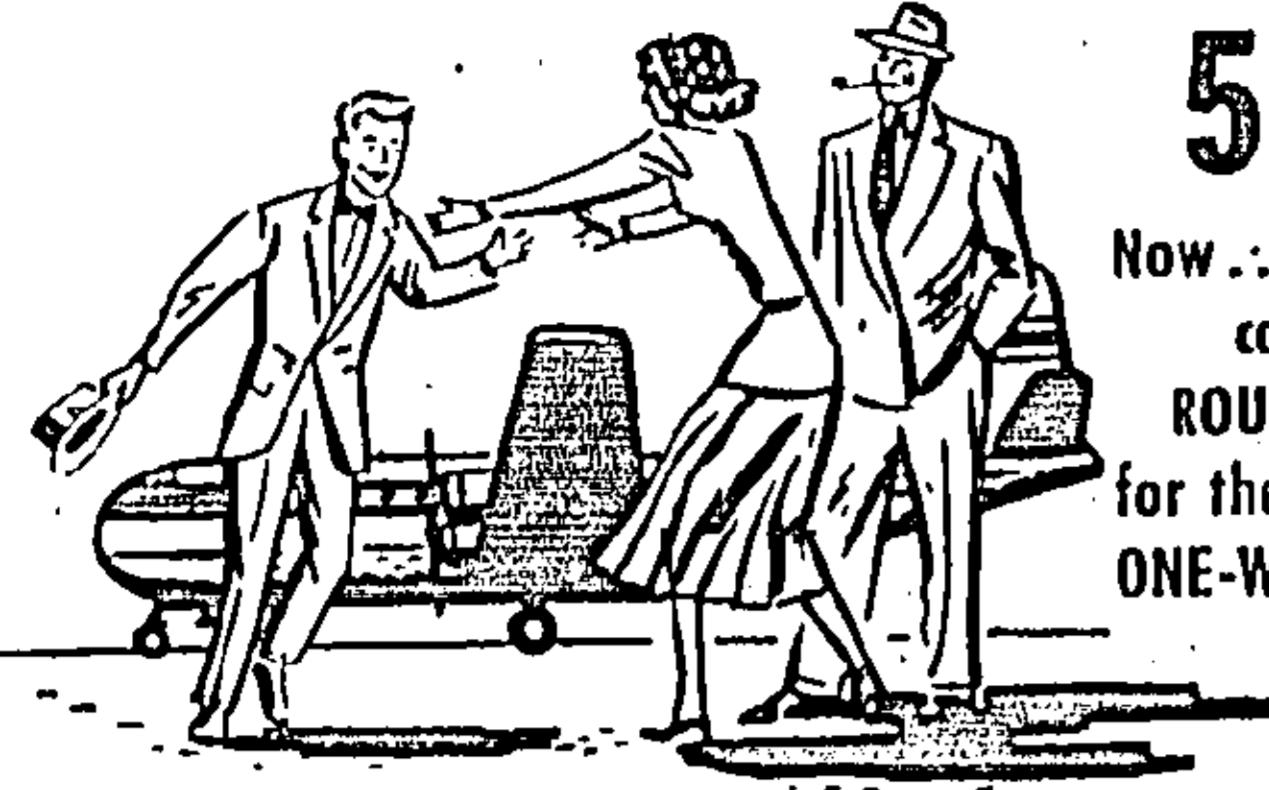
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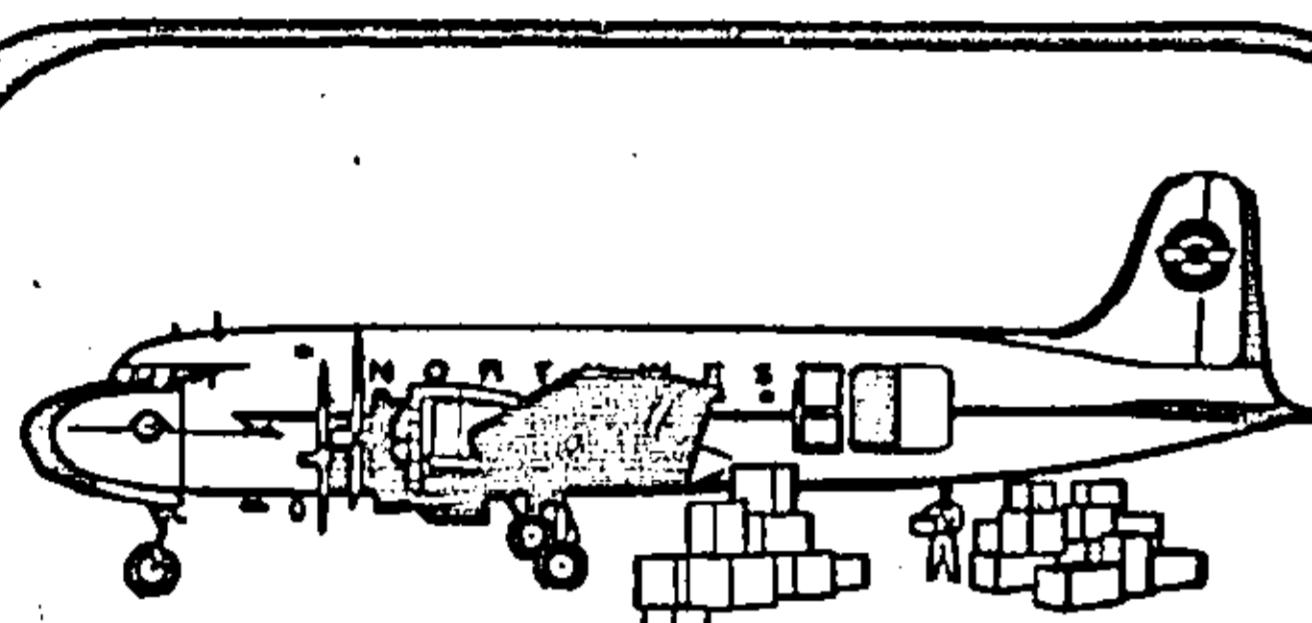
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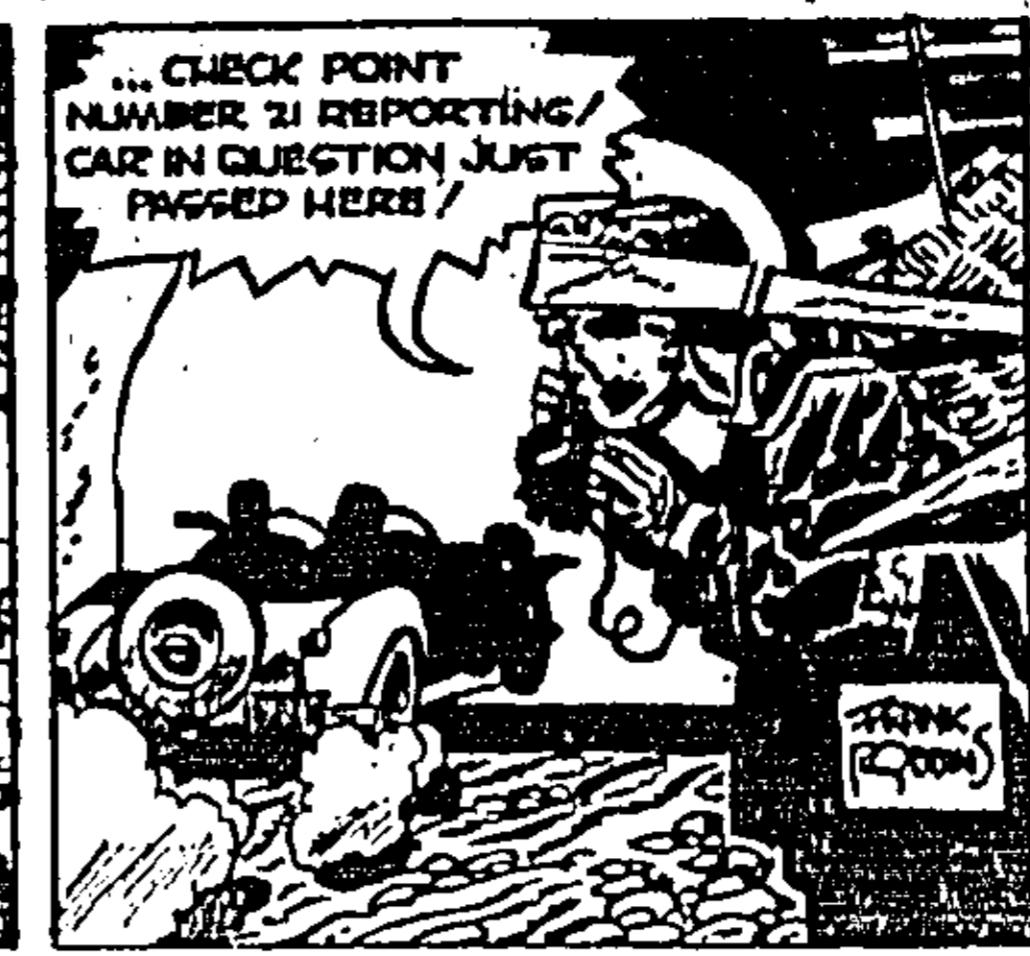
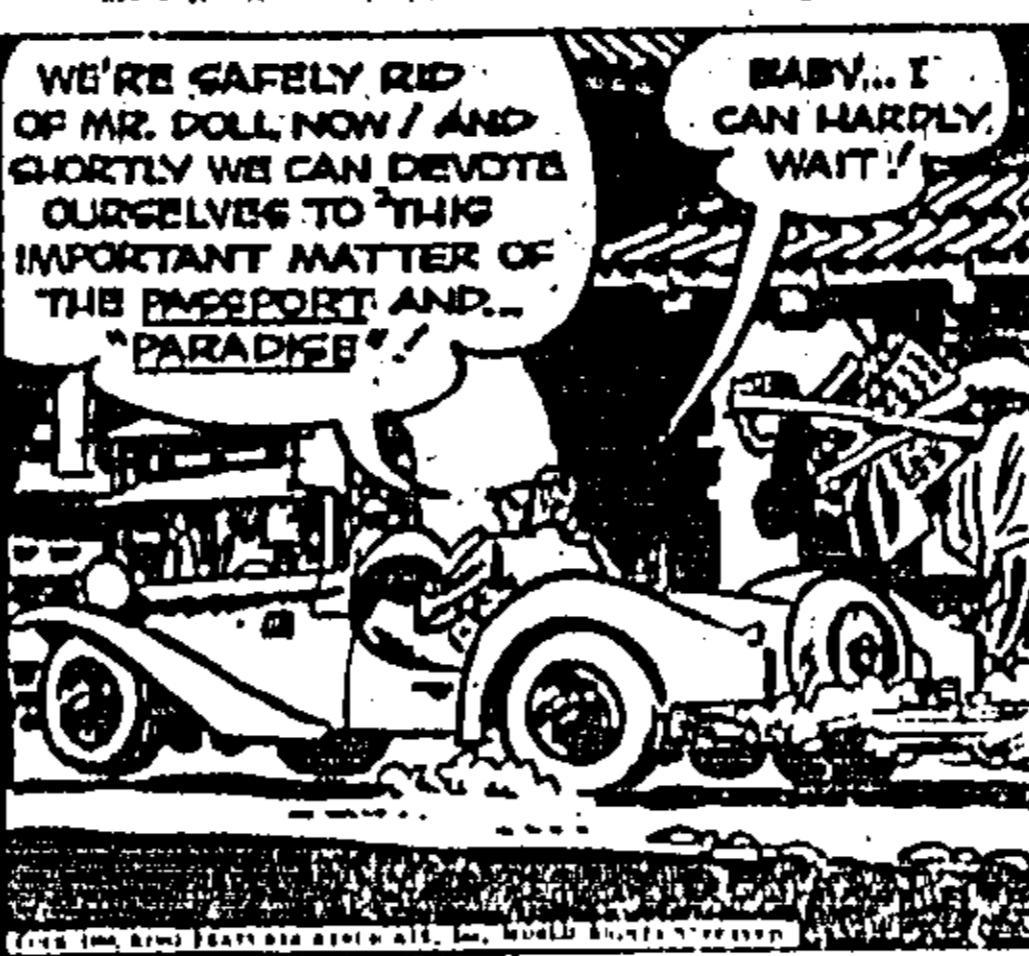
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By Frank Robbins

• BY THE WAY • by Beachcomber

AMONG the recent major triumphs of the statistician is the announcement that jackdaws have, in the last 20 years, deposited enough sticks in the belfry of a Suffolk church to fill five carts.

The remark made by a borough councillor—"There are surely quicker ways of filling carts with sticks"—was considered to be in bad taste. He was reminded, caustically, by a woman member that if the thing was to be judged by utilitarian standards, one would obviously not expect the sticks to be put in the belfry before being loaded on to the carts. A third councillor said that if the sticks were not carried to the belfry by the birds at their leisure, the 20 years would become an absurdity. As nobody knew what he was talking about, the meeting was adjourned.

White Paper, I brace myself to stand the shock of laughter. For what is revealed is usually something that is known to everybody except the people who conducted the investigation. A Committee has published the startling news that the reason why people are eating more horse-meat is because there is a shortage of other kinds of meat. Let us try to imagine the triumphant shouts which accompanied this exciting discovery, made after months of patient research, and study of statistics.

If you are born today, there is considerable of the philosopher in your makeup. You are able to look on all sides of a question and make up your mind quickly what is best to do.

You are a valuable counsellor and would make a good teacher or a personnel director in a large corporation.

Interested in the occult and the mysterious, you will probably delve into the subject quite extensively at some time in your life. You may wish to visit Egypt and the pyramids.

There are times when your impulsiveness guides your actions, but your excellent judgment rarely deserts you, even in moments of crisis. Even

Salami earrings

I HOPE that the film actress who arrived by air with two salami sausages in her handbag has set a new fashion. Probably they were for wearing rather than eating. They could be worn as earrings, or as wrist bangles, or round the neck instead of pearls. In the latter case they would go well with the new jumpers made of bread. It is what Mme. Sucrette calls the autumn food motif in clothes.

Ring-a-ding-dong

A CAMPANOLOGIST has said that if you have twelve bells you can ring 479,001,600 changes. Life need never be dull. It was dusk in the old Cathedral Close. The bells were pealing merrily in a double bob major, a quadruple grandison minor and a couple of Norwich triples. This had been going on for three hours when a tall stranger knocked on the door of the bishop's palace. A maid poked her head out of an upper window and cried, "Is somebody ringing?" "Everyone but me, apparently," said the stranger.

Astounding revelation

WHENEVER I read that something or other "has been revealed" in

Check Your Knowledge

- What is brass?
- Caledonia is the poetical name for what country?
- Name the Shahinsha of Iran.
- What is the meaning of Shahinshah?
- How many toes does an ostrich have?
- What is a Mussulman?

(Answers on Page 12)

• BARBS

BY HAL COCHRAN

A TENNESSEE woman was flogged for revealing secrets. That should be stopped pronto as a threat to all women.

A dog is a man's best friend except when it's the wife who bought it.

Any time a day at work seems to drag you probably haven't enough to do.

Why is it some "distinguished visitors" are given a key to a city when the place is sold open?

Women agree that the man who says that women never agree is wrong.

Solution of yesterday's puzzle: Across: 1. Donald B. (10); 2. R. (11); 3. Knay, (10); 4. Belmont, (10); 5. Arden, (10); 6. D. (10); 7. D. (10); 8. (10); 9. (10); 10. (10); 11. (10); 12. (10); 13. (10); 14. (10); 15. (10); 16. (10); 17. (10); 18. (10); 19. (10); 20. (10); 21. (10); 22. (10); 23. (10); 24. (10); 25. (10); 26. (10); 27. (10); 28. (10); 29. (10); 30. (10); 31. (10); 32. (10); 33. (10); 34. (10); 35. (10); 36. (10); 37. (10); 38. (10); 39. (10); 40. (10); 41. (10); 42. (10); 43. (10); 44. (10); 45. (10); 46. (10); 47. (10); 48. (10); 49. (10); 50. (10); 51. (10); 52. (10); 53. (10); 54. (10); 55. (10); 56. (10); 57. (10); 58. (10); 59. (10); 60. (10); 61. (10); 62. (10); 63. (10); 64. (10); 65. (10); 66. (10); 67. (10); 68. (10); 69. (10); 70. (10); 71. (10); 72. (10); 73. (10); 74. (10); 75. (10); 76. (10); 77. (10); 78. (10); 79. (10); 80. (10); 81. (10); 82. (10); 83. (10); 84. (10); 85. (10); 86. (10); 87. (10); 88. (10); 89. (10); 90. (10); 91. (10); 92. (10); 93. 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Dow Jones averages at the end of the session stood as follows:

50 industrials	229.27
20 rails	73.48
15 utilities	39.26
40 bonds	102.21
United Press	

Wolfram Soars

London, Dec. 12. Wolfram was quoted on Tuesday at 325 to 345 shillings nominal per unit, C.I.F. European ports, compared with the previous price of 315 to 325 shillings.

Wolfram had steadily climbed in price almost without interruption during 1950. At the beginning of January, the price was 90 shillings to 95 shillings per unit. — United Press.

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LONDON RUBBER

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No. 1 rubber (in cents per lb.)	4016-4016
January	4016-4016
February	4174-40
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October/December	38-38-1/2
United Press	

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New York Metals

New York, Dec. 12.

Prices in the metal market here closed today unchanged with the following exceptions:

Tin, Grade A (90.80 per cent or higher)	90.80 per cent
New York	90.80 per cent
January	4714-48
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13
Closing Times By Air

Indo-China, 5 p.m.

Formosa, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14
Closing Times By Air

Japan, Korea, Canada & U.S.A., 11 a.m.

Okinawa, 2 p.m.

Siam, Burma, Malaya, Indonesia & Ceylon, 3 p.m.

Formosa, 5 p.m.

Philippines, 5 p.m.

Closing Times By Sea

India & Pakistan, 10 a.m.

Japan, 2 p.m.

Malaya, Ceylon, Madras, Mauritius, East & South Africa, Egypt, & N.W. Europe, 2 p.m.

Formosa, 3 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15
Closing Times By Air

B.N. Borneo, Australia & New Zealand, 5 p.m.

Indo-China, French North Africa & France, 6 p.m.

Philippines, Hawaii & U.S.A. (letters, second class mail and airmail) Guam (Letters and airmail) Canada (Letters only), 5 p.m.

India, Pakistan, Persian Gulf

Iran, Iraq, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Spain, Portugal, Italy & N.W. Europe, 5 p.m.

Formosa, 5 p.m.

Closing Times By Sea

Formosa, 11 a.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16
Closing Times By Air

Formosa, 3 p.m.

Siamese, 5 p.m.

Closing Times By Sea

Canada, 10 a.m.

Malaya & Indonesia, 2 p.m.

U.S.A., Central & South America, 2 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17
Closing Times By Air

Philippines, 10 a.m.

Japan & Korea, 10 a.m.

Radio Hongkong

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"Hongkong Calling", Programme Summary

6.00, "Theatre Presented by John Waring (Studio); 6.30, "Interlude"; 6.40, "Carols" (Studio); 7.00, "Grove Serendipity" (Studio); 7.30, "World News and News Analysis" (London); 7.45, "Quiz Show" (boys and girls in earlier grades of King George Vth School); "Question Master" Len Starbuck (Studio); 7.45, "A Light Programme", with Gwen Catley (Sop.); and Nellie Lunn (Mezzo-Soprano); 8.00, "From the Editor" (London Relay); 8.10, "Lucky Dip" Variety Request Programme presented by Pauline Spence (Studio); 9.10, "The Melachrino Strings"; "Bandstand" (Fairy Avion Works); 10.00, "Concerts" (Doris Wright (BBC); 10.10, "Radio News Feed" (London Relay); 10.15, "Weather Report"; 10.16, "Orchestra of the Week"; "The Philharmonic Orchestra"; 10.45, "U.S. News Album"; 11.00, "Romantic Interlude" and his orchestra; 11.15, "Goodtime Music"; 11.20, "Weather Report"; God Save the King; 11.30, Close Down.



Sold Dog Meat For Human Consumption

Brought before Mr Winter at Kowloon Court this morning on charges of selling dog meat for human consumption, eleven people from Sank Kip Mei village were fined sums ranging from \$60 to \$300.

DSI W. H. Summers told the court that the police carried out raids on four stalls fitted up as restaurants last night. He added that recently a great number of dogs have been missing.

In the first raid, So Choi 36, Lau Kwan 32, and Wong Kwong 36 were arrested. The first defendant was fined \$200 or two months, the second and third defendants were fined \$50 each or 21 days. Heavier sentence was passed on the first defendant as he was in charge of the stall.

The second stall was conducted by Chan Tap 23, and he was fined \$200, his folks Ng Wah 27 and Chu Fu 24 were fined \$50 each.

Cheung Wai 21, conducting the third stall was fined \$200 while his folks Lee Kwan 19 and Ho Hei 20, were each fined \$50.

Yuen Kui 39 conducting the largest stall was fined \$300, while his folks Lee Man 41, was fined \$200 or two months because he had a previous conviction for the same offence.

Approximately 30 catties of dog meat were seized by the Police constable.

Before Mr Reynolds at Central this morning Chiu pleaded that he was absented when he uttered such a remark that he was a PC, saying that he had no intention of doing so.

For evading payment of bus fare, Chiu was fined \$20 or six days and for impersonating a Police officer, he was fined \$50 for two weeks.

Police Catch Gamblers

Six persons including a woman were arrested as a result of a raid carried out by a party of Police headed by Det-Supt. J.H. Rees on Room 717 Sun Kwong Hotel, Connaught Road West, early yesterday morning.

The persons were detained by Police when they were caught gambling in the room where \$307, two packets of cards and some counters were seized by Police.

Li King, 27, the woman, together with two others, Wu Ming and Hon Chung, who did not appear before Mr Reynolds at Central Court this morning, were ordered to have their ball \$250 each extreated.

Wong Sun, 39, travelling trader, charged with keeping a common gambling house was fined \$250, while Ng Yau, 50, and Chang Ping, charged with playing in a common gambling house were each fined \$25.

The \$307 table money was ordered to the poor box and the cards and the counters were destroyed.

MILITARY CAMP THEFT

For stealing a hammer and a pair of pliers from No. 2 Military Camp in Argyle Street, Wong Tai, 50, unemployed, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment by Mr Winter at Kowloon Court this morning.

Wong broke into the camp by slipping through the wire. He was seen by Sgt Stevens and later arrested by Sapper Shield.

INTELLIGENCE TEST

We have to "solve" a right angled triangle. Call the distance C-O, m miles; the distance C-W, m miles; the distance W-O, m miles. Then, $n = 2(D-m)$. Hence,

$(D+m)(D-m) = (D+m)(D-m)$
so the sides of the triangle are in the ratio, 03 : 04 : 05.

and the distance from the wine to the bathmate is fourteen miles.

I believe in Mohammedanism.

Posed As A PC To Evade Fare

Chiu Shek-lam, a shopfok, of no fixed abode, took a ride on a No. 4 Route bus which was heading for Queen Mary Hospital shortly after noon yesterday.

After boarding the car, he tried to tender the bus fare. However, a bus inspector who boarded the same vehicle along Queen's Road West near the Ko Shing Theatre, asked for his ticket to be inspected and was told that he was a Police constable 887. But when he was asked to show his identity, Chiu failed to do so, and eventually he was brought back to the Police Station, where he was alleged to have made the same remark that he was a PC.

He did not see any blood on the abrasion. After that he took a bus to Queen Mary Hospital and after accused had gone through a medical examination he was later handed over to the custody of a naval shore patrol.

Bandsman Eric Sidwell, RM, was the next witness. A trumpet player in the Jamaica's band, he said the band was playing on the evening of June 10 at the Dockyard Police Club.

It was led by Sgt Glasspole, RM, who was also the pianist. Other members of the band included F.C. Tithall, John Quayle, C.A. Alred and a man named Richardson.

PASSED REMARKS

"I first saw Howard about 11.30 p.m." said Sidwell. "He was sitting in a chair that had been occupied by Richardson. At that time the band was not playing. Richardson returned and spoke to Howard, but I did not hear what was said. Howard remained where he was. Then Sgt Glasspole spoke to him and Howard left the chair. He went over to sit by the piano, and Glasspole returned to his own seat at the piano. The band recommenced playing. I heard accused pass few nasty remarks while we were playing and also afterwards. He had asked for a certain piece of music which we did not have. His remarks were directed to the quality of the music and to the playing, but I did not hear him say anything about the players. I noticed nothing unusual about his appearance except that he appeared to be slightly under the influence of drink. I formed that opinion mainly from his speech, the sound of his words, and from his walk.

"We played several tunes and the next thing I heard a crash

they heard no scream. I suggest it was pure imagination on your part when you say you heard a scream.

Witness: If I did not hear the scream, I would not have turned around.

What sort of a sound was it? Was it a hoarse shout, or a piercing scream? It was more like a shout.

Repeating to the Jury, Sidwell said that he thought McManus was lying about two feet from the side of the staircase when he reached the body, but he could not be sure.

The trial is proceeding.

Bandsman's Evidence In Manslaughter Trial

"Heard A Scream... Saw Somebody Going Over The Top Of Railings"

"When I had nearly reached the bottom of the staircase, I heard a kind of scream, so I looked around and saw somebody going over the top of the railings," said Bandsman Eric Sidwell, a trumpet player in the dance band of HMS Jamaica, when he gave evidence before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr E. H. Williams, at the Criminal Sessions this morning at the continuation of the manslaughter trial.

Accused is Gordon Frederick Howard, 30, Chief Petty Officer of HMS Jamaica, who is charged with the manslaughter of Able Seaman David McManus, 26, diving instructor of HMS Tamar, on June 18. Howard is alleged to have thrown or by some means caused McManus to fall over a staircase and drop a distance of about 18 feet on the night of June 10-11, after a social function at the Royal Naval Dockyard Police Club had concluded. McManus died on June 18.

When the trial resumed this morning, R.A. Jones, Admiralty Police Officer, was recalled at the request of the Jury, who asked if he could give the lapse of the time from the moment he first saw McManus going over the railings of the staircase to the time he himself reached the body in the Dockyard compound. Jones said no more than two minutes elapsed.

In that time he had ushered his guests back to the guest-room, telling them to wait for him as an accident had occurred, and then dashed down the staircase himself.

Det. Sub-Inst. C. Pope, formerly of Eastern CID, said he saw Howard again. He was at the top of the staircase with Mr D. L. Strellet, and the fourth and fifth accused were represented by Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr P. J. Griffiths. Second accused was not legally represented.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Crown Counsel, prosecuted. Mr J. Johnston, Director of Criminal Intelligence, assisted by Insp. R. Smith, was present for the Police.

A Jury of five men and two women was empanelled.

MAKES INTRODUCTION

Detective Crown Sergeant Chung Hung said on September 6 he introduced Wong Chung-sung, working under Police instructions, to a man named Chan, pseudo manager of a Chinese firm in Des Voeux Road, West, and there gave him certain instructions.

The same afternoon he saw third accused enter the firm. When third accused re-emerged, witness said he trailed him to Lee Yuen Street, West, and finally to a restaurant in King's Road.

Some 10 days later, he saw third accused call at the firm in Des Voeux Road, West. Later the accused left with the pseudo manager and witness followed them to an address in Wyndham Street.

Next morning, he and another detective followed a party comprising Wong, Chan, third accused and another detective to the residence of the Director of Criminal Investigations.

SAW BAGS DROPPED

He was near the vicinity of Java Street the same afternoon, witness continued, when he saw Wong and two other detectives go up to the residence of first

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